



**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE**

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State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: DUNCAN CREEK CHANNEL REHABILITATION PROJECT

Description of Proposal: The proponents plan to help reestablish a self-sustaining adult chum population. This will include the following activities: 1) restore spawning habitat by cleaning out spring-fed stream channels and importing appropriate spawning gravels, and 2) reintroduce chum salmon into Duncan Creek. The second activity will be accomplished by collecting chum eggs from adjacent chum salmon stocks and incubating the eggs in streamside incubators that will be installed in the Duncan Creek spring channels. Thermally produced bar codes will be induced into the otoliths (ear bones) of the developing embryos. The fry will be released after approximately six weeks.

The first phase of this project occurred in November, 2000 when the dam at the mouth of Duncan Creek was modified to allow fish passage.

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| Proponents: Skamania Owners Association | Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife |
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| Stevenson, Washington 98648 | 2108 Grand Boulevard |
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Mouth of Duncan Creek at River Mile 140, Six Miles Downstream of Bonneville Dam, Near Skamania, Washington, Skamania County; Section 35, Township 02 North, Range 06 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for

14 days from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **September 25, 2001**

Responsible Official: Peter Birch

Position/Title: Environmental Services Division Manager

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e-mail: prattcrp @dfw.wa.gov if you have questions or comments about this determination.

DATE OF ISSUE: September 11, 2001 **SIGNATURE:**  for Peter Birch

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